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Double crowning of queens



QUEEN OF SPECIAL HEARTS - Breanna Gray, daughter of Sean and Ashley Zwiag, was crowned Queen of Special Hearts and Miss Captivating on Saturday in Woodland Mills, Tenn. The Special Hearts Pageant, with 16 contestants, was organized by Tina Sudberry Williams. Williams wanted to hold a pageant that was designed to help make kids with disabilities feel good about themselves.



2014 BASKETBALL HOME-COMING QUEEN - (Above) Fulton County High School Senior Sarah Copeland was crowned Homecoming Queen on Friday night by Dean of Students Ellen Murphy. Copeland was chosen from four candidates. She was escorted by Tyre Jones (pictured at right with Copeland.) See more Homecoming photos on page 8.

Goodman wins \$2,500 for Fulton County Elementary/Middle School Library

Mr. Austin Goodman of Fulton County, Ky., has been selected as a winner in America's Farmers Grow Communities, sponsored by the Monsanto Fund. Goodman selected Fulton County Elementary/Middle School (FCE/MS) Library to receive the \$2,500 donation. On Friday, Feb. 14 Goodman, his wife Jessica and sons Wesley and Ian were on hand to receive the check from Ty Parker, Monsanto Representative. The

Goodman family presented the donation to FCE/MS Librarian Ashley Coulson and Principal Julie Jackson, who accepted the generous donation on behalf of the school. Superintendent Aaron Collins was also present for the check presentation. America's Farmers Grow Communities works directly with farmers to support non-profit organizations doing important work in rural communities. The program encourages

farmers to enter to win \$2,500, which is then directed to the farmer's nonprofit of choice. Launched nationally in 2011, the program has grown to include 1,289 eligible counties in 39 states. America's Farmers Grow Communities, sponsored by the Monsanto Fund, is part of the America's Farmers initiative, which highlights the important contributions farmers make every day to our society. For a complete list of Grow

Communities winners and more program information, please visit growcommunities.com. The America's Farmers campaign is an advocacy program celebrating U.S. farmers through communications, awards, and special programs that highlight the importance of modern American agriculture. To learn more, visit America's Farmers at www.americasfarmers.com.



DONATING TO LOCAL LIBRARY - A part of the donation presentation of \$2,500 from the Goodman family to the Fulton County Elementary/Middle School Library on Friday were Fulton County Elementary/Middle School (FCE/MS) Librarian Ashley Coulson, Ian Goodman, Austin Goodman, Jessica Goodman, Wesley Goodman, Monsanto Representative Ty Parker, and FCE/MS Principal Julie Jackson.

Extreme cold depletes City's storage of gas

Charlotte Smith
Editor
Having the ability to store 30,000 dekatherms of natural gas paid dividends for the citizens of Hickman. "In the summer months we injected our natural gas supply to full capacity," stated Hickman City Manager Johnny McTurner on Monday, Feb. 10. "We bought it at a low price and saved the citizens from the roller coaster of volatility the winter season brings upon its customers."

With the unusually cold winter, the city has depleted all the natural gas they had in storage. "We are now having to spot buy it," added McTurner. "Spot buying it will get us through until the summer, but the price has doubled from what we paid last summer." This means that consumers will pay more now even if they do not increase their usage. "Gas bills will increase this month,"

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Martin announces candidacy for County Judge/Executive

Jim Martin is a candidate for County Judge/Executive in the Fulton County primary election May 20, 2014. Jim is a 44-year resident of Fulton County. He has 13 years of experience in city administration as City Manager of Fulton and six years of experience as Mayor of

Fulton. In addition, Jim has 14 years experience in economic development administration on the local level. He was regional Director for the State of Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development for seven years, covering 47 west Kentucky counties. Jim served as an Economic Development Field Consultant for seven years with TVA, covering 23 western Kentucky counties. Jim is a graduate of The Economic Development Institute at The University of Oklahoma and is a Certified Economic and Community Developer by the International Economic Development Council (CEcD). Positions which Jim has held include: President of the Kentucky City Management



Jim Martin

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Atwill to serve as KPA District One Board Representative

The Hickman Courier, one of several newspapers owned and operated by Magic Valley Publishing would like to congratulate Barbara Atwill, an employee at The Courier, on her election to fill the vacated seat of the District One Board for the Kentucky Press Association. Atwill, a 33-year veteran of The Courier, currently holds the position as Business Manager. A special election was necessitated with Loyd Ford, of The Lake News in Calvert City being elected vice president for 2014. Atwill will complete the term for District 1, through January 2015, at which time an election will be held for a full three-year term. "It is an honor for Barbara to



Barbara Atwill

serve on the KPA board," said publisher Dennis Richardson.

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Williamson recalls his time as a Courier paperboy






Charlotte Smith
Editor
It was 1940 and H.L. Williamson was a young boy of seven years. Growing up with four brothers and one sister, his large family didn't have a lot, but they knew how to have fun and worked hard for everything they

got. "Some of my fondest memories growing up in west Hickman included some of the most simplest things we did to have fun," he said. "We would roll an old car tire clear out to east Hickman and back."

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Your Local Weather

Thu 2/20	Fri 2/21	Sat 2/22	Sun 2/23	Mon 2/24
				
67/32 Windy with thunderstorms likely. Potential for severe thunderstorms.	54/34 A few clouds. Highs in the mid 50s and lows in the mid 30s.	51/35 Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the low 50s and lows in the mid 30s.	50/27 Mostly sunny. Highs in the low 50s and lows in the upper 20s.	44/26 Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the mid 40s and lows in the mid 20s.

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Charlotte Smith - Editor

Barbara Atwill - Business manager

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Turning Back The Clock

25 Years Ago
June 1, 1989

Obituaries: Joe Anthony Busby, 32; and James A. Madison, 66.

Mr. and Mrs. Hiram French will be celebrating their fiftieth wedding anniversary with an "Open House" at Cedar Street Baptist Church in Holt, Mich. on Saturday, June 10.

Brother David Smith has resigned as pastor of West Baptist Church and will be attending Texas Christian University in Fort Worth, Texas to obtain a Ph.D. in Theology. After graduation, David hopes to teach in a Bible College or Seminary.

The Air Force recently invested in the future by awarding Wayne Bragg an Air Force ROTC college scholarship. Wayne, the son of Mrs. Judy Williams of Cayce, will attend Southern Illinois University. He plans to major in computer science.

Billy Joe Powell was operating a front end loader Tuesday morning while work was being done to tear up the asphalt in front of Hickman Pipe and Tube building. Plans are to concrete the area. After all the asphalt is removed officials from the riverport, city and county are working together to furnish man-power and equipment to get the work completed.

Butch Buckingham has been named the Alumni of the Year by the Fulton County FFA Chapter. Butch received this honor due to his outstanding support of the local FFA Chapter and it's activities. He has served as an alumni chapterone, bus driver, as well as an adult supervisor to many of the numerous FFA activities throughout the year. He is also one of the founders of the FFA Alumni Chapter at Fulton County High School where he is an active member. Butch lives at Route 1, Fulton, with his wife Loraine and two children, Shannon and Stacey. Butch received a plaque for this recognition during the 1989 FFA Parent-Member Banquet. Becky Fulcher made the presentation.

50 Years Ago
August 27, 1964

The Hickman Junior Chamber of Commerce may be reactivated in the near future. Interested men should call Baker Minton.

Interstate Highway 24 will be routed from Paducah through Princeton and Hopkinsville in-

stead of through Murray and Mayfield. The federal government made the announcement.

R.D. "Duck" Goalder of Western Gin Co. reported the first bale of cotton to arrive at the gin was last Wednesday, Aug. 19. The cotton was grown and taken to Western Gin by I.L. Johnson.

Fulton County Schools will officially open Aug. 27, with in-service training for teachers but students can still play before school classes begin Monday, Aug. 31. The 373 students have registered a FCHS, which brings the county enrollment to 1,700.

75 Years Ago
September 1, 1939

The Courier is pleased to publish below a copy of a letter belonging to Mrs. Bynum Parham, which is one hundred years old. Written with a quill pen and folded so as to serve as its own envelope, the outside of the letter still bears traces of the wax seal stamped upon it before it was entrusted to a messenger for delivery. The manuscript is written in a flowing, legible hand, the paper yellow with age, has been unusually well-preserved by its owner, the late Bynum Parham. Written from Hickman, then Mills Point, by Mr. Parham's grandfather, H.Y. Parham, to the latter's father in Dresden, Tenn., the letter is redolent with local color of the time, long past, when this locality was an up-and-coming river town and trading center for New Orleans produce.

125 Years Ago
September 8, 1889

There is a movement talked of to build a fine hotel in Hickman, and some good men are taking interest in it.

The several Hickman schools opened Monday with fairly good attendance. Each school has the promise and expectation of additional pupils.

One of the steam graders, now employed at grading the Hickman river front it is claimed, will do as much work in one day as 50 strong men with picks and shovels.

The Paducah, Hickman, and Southern Railroad people, yesterday, began cutting out its right of way and are making the chips fly.

Brooklyn Kendra Winstead of Hickman and Kenneth James Vowell of Hickman, Feb. 13.

Cynthia Ann Summers of Union City, Tenn. and Nathan Wayne Readenour of Union City, Feb. 13.

Atwill

"Barbara is conscientious and does a good and thorough job at everything we ask her to do. She will be an asset to the KPA board."

Atwill began her career at *The Hickman Courier* in June 1981 under the leadership of Jo and Paul Westpheling. In those 33 years, she has worked with numerous editors including Jo Westpheling, Monette Malone, Mike Klapp, John O'Neal Jones, Cherry Pyron, Misty Cruce Watts, and Charlotte Smith.

Though she is based at *The Courier*, in Hickman, Ky., she also designs ads for *The Fulton Leader*, *The Hickman County Gazette*, and *The Carlisle Weekly*, which are also owned and published by Magic Valley Publishing.

A lifetime member of Cayce United Methodist Church, she is

Program Committee Chair, Secretary of the Nominations Committee, Children's Coordinator, Sunday School teacher, and a member of the Administrative Council; active in the Cayce Cancer Crew for Relay for Life (formed this year at her church) and has been on the Friends for A Cure Relay for Life team in Hickman the past two years; and also has been a Girl Scout Leader and later the Secretary/Treasurer of Fulton County Athletic Booster Club for four years. She also helps publish the award-winning newsletter for the Hickman Rotary Club.

Barbara has two daughters, Caitlin Bracey and Chelsea Anderson, and one granddaughter, Alyvia Bracey. She is the daughter of Bennette Atwill of Cayce and the late Billy Atwill.

Fulton County well represented during West Kentucky Thank You Night

Over 1,000 community and business leaders from 24 counties in western Kentucky, area legislators, and legislative leadership converged on the Frankfort Convention Center on Tuesday evening, Feb. 11 to attend the 10th West Kentucky Thank You Night Reception and Dinner hosted by the West Kentucky Regional Chamber Alliance (WKRCA) and Chamber Leadership Initiatives for Northwestern Kentucky (C-LINK).

The purpose of this event was to express Western Kentucky's

appreciation to the House and Senate members for past, present, and future support for this region's projects and programs, including the Interstate 69 highway project, which is the Top Legislative Priority Project for both organizations.

"The Thank You Night reception is one of the most popular in Frankfort and demonstrates the strong bond among these 24 counties in the western part of the Commonwealth," stated WKRCA Board Chair Bonnie Schrock, Chief Administrative

Officer for Baptist Health Paducah.

Serving as keynote speakers for this biennial event were Senate President Robert Stivers and Speaker of the House Greg Stumbo. Also on hand to speak with constituents, representing with ties to Fulton County were State Senator Stan Humphries and Republican Kentucky House Representative Steven Rudy.

Sixty businesses, chambers of commerces, fiscal courts, city governments, educational insti-

tutions, and economic development organizations from the 24 county region served as sponsors for the event. Fulton County Fiscal Court and the Fulton County and Hickman County Economic Development Partnership were one of this year's sponsors.

Fulton County was well represented at the event with Fulton County Judge/Executive David Gallagher, Fulton County Magistrates Henry Callison and

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Photos by Charlotte Smith

REPRESENTING FULTON COUNTY - (Above) Representing Fulton County in Frankfort last week were PVA Deputy Clerk Brandon Uzzle, Magistrate Henry Callison, County Clerk Betty Abernathy, Jailer Ricky Parnell, Riverport Director Greg Curlin, PVA Pete Morgan, and Magistrate George A. Jones. Over 1,000 attendees converged on the Frankfort Convention Center to attend the biennial West Kentucky Thank You Night co-sponsored by West Kentucky Regional Chamber Alliance (WKRCA) and Chamber Leadership Initiatives for Northwestern Kentucky (C-Link) on Tuesday, Feb. 11. **MEETING IN FRANKFORT** - (At right) Fulton County Judge/Executive David Gallagher (left) and Kentucky House Representative Steven Rudy (right) met together during the biennial West Kentucky Thank You Night held in Frankfort last week at the Frankfort Convention Center.



"Dave Says" and The Dave Ramsey Show coming to The Courier

Dennis Richardson
Publisher

Are you one of the millions who are tired of living paycheck to paycheck, and just barely scraping by? Do you have a child getting ready to go to college? Perhaps you are just getting out of college and have your whole life ahead of you. Are you starting to see retirement in your future and wondering how it will ever be possible? Want to start a business or grow your current one?

The financial world that revolves around us can be a complex one and our community has felt the economic belt tighten in recent years. Here at *The Hickman Courier*, we hear a lot about finances from our local retailers and advertisers to our county government. Since we work and live here just like you, we wanted to bring help to our area.

There are many names out there that tout to be financial experts, but only one have we personally tried and tested and feel confident enough to follow. Dave Ramsey.

Dave Ramsey is a personal money management expert, popular national radio personality and the author of four New York Times bestsellers – *EntreLeadership*, *The Total Money Makeover*, *Financial Peace Revisited* and *More Than Enough*. In them, Ramsey exemplifies his life's work of teaching others how to be financially responsible, so they can acquire enough wealth to take care of loved ones, live prosperously into old age, and give generously to others.

Ramsey knows first-hand what financial peace means in his own life, having lived a true rags-to-riches story. By age 26 he had established a

\$4,000,000 real estate portfolio, only to lose it by age 30. He has since rebuilt his financial life and now devotes himself full-time to helping ordinary people understand the forces behind their financial distress and how to set things right financially, emotionally and spiritually.

Ramsey offers life-changing, financial advice as host of a nationally syndicated radio program, *The Dave Ramsey Show*, which is heard by 6 million listeners each week on 500 radio stations throughout the United States. His syndicated column, *Dave Says*, can be read

in more than 350 print and online publications worldwide.

Ramsey is the creator of Financial Peace University (FPU), a nine-week program that helps people dump debt, get control of their money and learn new behaviors with money that are founded on commitment and accountability. More than 1.5 million families have attended FPU classes at their workplaces, churches, military bases, nonprofit organizations and community groups. The average family pays off \$5,300

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Martin

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Association, Vice-President of Kentucky Housing and Redevelopment Association, Chairman of Parkway Regional Hospital Board, Chairman of Purchase Housing Corporation, and Citizen of the Year (twice) by the Twin Cities Chamber of Commerce.

Jim holds certifications in economic development, city administration, highway engineering, federal grant administration, and real estate appraisal and brokerage. Jim was named the State of Kentucky Economic Development Allied Professional of the Year in 2011 by the Kentucky Association for Economic Development. In 2012 Jim was the 12th person ever inducted into the Kentucky Economic Development Hall of Fame.

Jim is married to Kay Martin, and together they operate a real estate business in Fulton. Jim's son, Jason Gibbs, works as an appraiser in the real estate firm and was formerly a math teacher at Fulton County Middle School. Jason's wife, Sondra Gibbs, is the Assistant Principal of Fulton Independent Schools. Jim has two grandsons, Sam and Max.

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The following Marriage Licenses were recorded in the office of Fulton County Clerk Betty Abernathy:

Donna Joyce Crowell of Hickman, Ky., and Bobby Glen Atkison of Hickman, Jan. 28.

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Public Transit Agencies ascend on state capitol

On Thursday, Feb. 13, public transit vehicles, including vehicles from the Fulton County Transit Authority (FCTA) fleet, ascended upon Capitol Avenue at Kentucky's state Capitol, to raise awareness of the importance of public transportation to the citizens of the state of Kentucky.

"It was a surreal sight to see public transit agencies represented from all areas of our

wonderful state," stated Kenney Etherton, FCTA Executive Director.

"This was a time for public transit agencies to meet with their legislators and discuss their goals, issues and needs facing their specific agency," added Etherton. "Not only were there meetings with legislators, but there was also a public transit rally held in the Capitol Rotunda later that morning."

Guest speakers included Lieutenant Governor, Jerry Abramson, who on behalf of Governor Steve Beshear, presented an official proclamation declaring Feb. 13 as Public Transit Day in the state of Kentucky. "This was a great start to an exciting rally dedicated to public transportation," Etherton noted. "Beecher Hudson, President of the Kentucky Public Transit Association, introduced other speakers such as: Vickie Bourne, Executive Director, Office of Transportation Delivery/KY; Representative Jimmie Lee; Margaret Plattner, Deputy Commissioner Kentucky Veterans Administration; Juva Barber, Executive Director, Kentuckians for Better Transportation; Barry Barker, Transit Authority of River City; Rocky Burke, Lexington - Transit."

Another main topic of the rally was Senate Bill #139 which was introduced by Senator Jimmy Higdon. "If passed, this bill will transfer one million dollars from the General Fund to a new, special fund, the 'Kentucky Public Transportation Development Fund,' to be used for the coordination of public transit operating subsidies for veterans who served on active duty with the Armed Forces of the United States and were discharged under honorable conditions," explained Etherton. "This would help give our state's veterans an opportunity to public transportation, that otherwise might not be available to them." If you would like to support this bill, please call your local legislators and support it.

A press conference was also scheduled after the rally with FCTA members representing Fulton County well. Those attending the events last week include: Kenney Etherton, FCTA Executive Director; Rebecca Waggoner, FCTA Operations Manager; Sam Jones, FCTA Driver of 21 years and Darrell Sims, FCTA patron of over 15 years and Ambassador of Hickman County.

"Our group met with Representative Steven Rudy and had a nice visit discussing FCTA's role in the Purchase Area as a Public Transit Agency," concluded Etherton. "This was also the first time that Darrell Sims had ever been to the State Capitol! We were very pleased to have been a part of that with Darrell!"



RECOGNIZING HEART HEALTH MONTH - As you all know, February is Heart Health Month. Friday, Feb. 7, was national "Go Red for Women" day, a day to raise awareness about the number one killer of women in the United States—heart disease. Parkway Regional Hospital employees (shown above) were sporting RED on Go Red day.



DISCUSSING GOALS AND ISSUES - Fulton County Transity Authority Executive Director Kenney Etherton (left) travels to Frankfort to talk goals, issues and needs facing the transit industry with Steven Rudy, Kentucky Republican House Representative (right).

Journalism Club takes shape at FCE/MS

At the urging of a group of Fulton County Middle School students, a Journalism Club has been formed in order to bring student perspectives on a regular basis to readers of the Hickman Courier. Titled, "Pilot Posts," students plan to focus upon sports, academics, extra-curricular activities, social activities and other topics

students feel are important. Retiazsha Chambers will serve as the editor-in-chief.

"I am excited to have the students of Fulton County Elementary/Middle School add a new dimension to the Courier," stated Courier Editor Charlotte Smith. "Look for the students' articles scattered throughout the pages of this week's Courier."



Photo by Mindy Major

ROTARY DONATES TO ARK - Hickman Rotary Club officers (l to r) Charlotte Smith, President-Elect; Tracey Lamb, Secretary; Betty Abernathy, President; and Bonnie Poynor, Treasurer are shown with a display of a portion of the canned goods the club collected to donate to ARK (Alternative Resources for Kentuckians) food pantry.



The Hickman Courier wishes all these good folks a very happy birthday! Help make their days more special by remembering them with a card or a phone call.

February 24 - James Etheridge, Carol Shaw, Kathy Green, Tracy Eddington, and Que Lantacy Winters.

February 25 - Greg Rash, Tony Warner, Stephen Robert McClure, Marilyn Samson, and Ruth Vincent.

February 26 - Michelle Johnson, Laura Wiley Major, Yvonne Marie Turnbow, Lennie

Marie Ross, and Ricky Conley.

February 27 - Tina Blincoc, Vanessa Guertin, Teresa Jackson Phillips, Shirley Wilson, and Accoydea Ervin.

February 28 - Annie Jackson, Elvis Jackson, Edgar Harrison, Jessica Renee Moffitt, and Damien Canaday.

February 29 - Lois Gardner

March 1 - Mike Chandler, Beverly Taylor, and Madelyn Claire Morrison.

March 2 - Lynn Parker, Barry Sharp, Brandon Henry, Charles Johnson, Charlotte Atwill, Trista Finch, and Amya Johnson.

FCE/MS recognizes January as Achievement Month

By Retiazsha Chambers and Ashanta Johnson

Fulton County Elementary/Middle School (FCE/MS) students had so much going on during the first month of the year that they had to take the first week of February off to recover!

Governor's Cup: Fulton County performed very well at District Governor's Cup. Not only were they ranked third in the District, but they also took a number of written assessment awards. Eighth grader Lindy Sipes placed in all three of her events, including a first in Language Arts. She later placed fourth in the Region, and will be representing her school at State in March. "The best thing was meeting students from

different schools who share similar interests," says Josie Prehoda. "Since Fulton County hosted this year we made a point of seeing that everyone had a good time. We played a lot of games, which made the day go by fast." Students enjoyed the concessions supplied by volunteers, especially Mrs. Mindy Major and Mrs. Pat Major. The only downside was having to get up so early to compete on a Saturday morning.

4-H Speech Contest: Every student from grades 3 - 8 participated in Communications Day on January 24. Students had to decide whether to make a speech or do a demonstration. Speeches are divided by contestant age while demonstrations are by category.



Photo by Christina Corrigan

GREETING TOGETHER - Donna Jones (left) is welcoming Jackie Robinson (right) to the Hickman Senior Citizens Center on Tuesday, Feb. 11. During the last five weeks Donna Jones was off due to knee surgery. She is back and enjoying working with Jackie, the center's newest addition.

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There are many categories to choose from, and some can be quite interesting. Some speeches can be pretty funny too. For example, Bradley Webb did his on "How to Get a Date." School winners competed on February 15 at Carr Elementary for the county contest.

District Basketball Tournaments: Neither the girls nor the boys were happy with the outcome of this year's

basketball season. The girls were disappointed that they lost the championship game to Carlisle after being first in the district the entire season. The boys ended their season on a high note, playing a great game against Hickman County, but had a disappointing record for the year. Some 8th graders are now playing on the high school team, while 6th and 7th graders are looking toward next year.



"On Monday, Feb. 3, Ms. Jacqueline (Jackie) Robinson began working at the Hickman Senior Citizens Center. I was born on March 31, 1969 in Fort Wayne, Ind., and have lived in Fulton, Ky., most of my life and graduated from Fulton City High School in 1987," mentioned Robinson.

She worked at Haws Memorial Nursing Home in 1991-1992, which found her interests in taking care of others with the seniors. "My grandmother resided at Haws Memorial at that time," stated Robinson. "I am raising my three-year-old daughter named J'Nyia that attends Preschool at First Baptist Day Care in Fulton."

"What I like most about my job is interacting with all of the seniors that come to the center by getting to know each individual as a person," said Robinson. "I have worked with the seniors for the past 23 years of my life and I love doing it and I will continue on doing it."

"She had previously worked at the Fulton Senior Citizens Center and that's when they asked me did I want a job in Hickman at the Hickman Senior Citizens Center and I accepted," noted Robinson.

Weekly activities at the Senior Center always include Monday, Feb. 24: 10:30, Exercise, Von-coil Leyhuc, and 11:30, Bingo; Tuesday, Feb. 25: 10:30, ICF, Nursing and Rehab of Clinton, Kayla; Wednesday, Feb. 26: 10:30, Life Line Home Care, Amy Thompson, Blood Pressure Clinic, and 11:30, Bingo; Thursday, Feb. 27: 10:30, Kris

Moore, Healthy Heart; Friday, Feb. 28: 11:30, Bingo.

Bingo is played every Monday, Wednesday and Friday each week! (25 cents a card) on these days immediately following lunch at approximately 11:30. Bingo winners Monday, Feb. 10: Helen Drewry, Josephine Warren, Shirley Shaw and Helen Drewry winning coverall; Wednesday, Feb. 12: Josephine Warren, Suzanne Hurley, Josephine Warren and Roberta Duncan winning coverall; Friday, Feb. 14: Keltzy Conder, Roberta Duncan, Roberta Duncan and Josephine Warren winning coverall.

The following items with be served at the Senior Center next week:

Monday, Feb. 24

Beef stew, coleslaw, green peas, whole-wheat roll, ambrosia, margarine, and skim milk.

Tuesday, Feb. 25

Chicken salad on lettuce leaf, three bean salad, tomato slices, whole-wheat roll, chocolate pudding, and skim milk.

Wednesday, Feb. 26

Ham, baked beans, cauliflower with cheese sauce, whole-wheat roll, pineapple slices, margarine, and skim milk.

Thursday, Feb. 27

Porkypine meatballs, marinara sauce, corn O'Brien, whole-wheat bread, tropical fruit, chocolate wafers, and skim milk.

Friday, Feb. 28

Fish on whole wheat bun, lettuce, tomato and onion, broccoli, SC coconut cake, and skim milk.

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Obituaries

Duke Hayes



When the Mississippi River poured into the first floor of his home during the 2011 flood, Duke Hayes did what any enterprising resident of Madrid Bend would do. He and wife Sue just moved upstairs in the house they had built themselves.

Persons coming to check on them tied off their boats to the railing on the second floor deck.

Carlton Duke Hayes personified the rugged, independent, can-do spirit of the Bend.

He died at his home located in the neck of Madrid on February 4, 2014 from complications of leukemia after battling the disease with the same type of spirit he displayed on the baseball field or chasing coyotes.

He was 81. Hayes was a man for all seasons and he lived life to the fullest. Fishing in the spring and summer, hunting 'coons, rabbits, deer and ducks in the winter and fall and playing softball well into his fifties. Duke did it all.

"He loved life," said Sue, his wife of 59 years. "He had so many friends. I never knew him to have an enemy."

When David Lynn sunk his four-wheeler to the handlebars a few years ago in a Mississippi River slough bed, there was only one place to go for help. He walked to Duke's house. Hayes had the four-wheel drive trucks, yards of heavy rope and the know how and wherewithal to retrieve the four-wheeler.

Duke and Greg Windsor once treed a big boar 'coon one night just before dawn. Greg begged him to shake the 'coon out and watch the fight with Duke's three prize dogs—one at a time. And shake out the 'coon, they did. It quickly slashed, bit and cut its way through all three dogs. Duke was none too pleased but practical as ever.

"What are we going to do now?" asked Windsor.

"I don't know about you but I'm taking my dogs to the vet," responded Hayes.

Hayes was a skilled baseball player in the days when every self-respecting town or spot in the road had an independent team. He caught and played outfield well into his thirties. As the local games changed to softball, he fell right in with the younger crowd and competed well into his fifties.

He was still good enough the younger kids recruited him for the

weekend tournament teams.

"He loved playing ball and when he couldn't play ball any more, he managed," said Sue. "When he managed the kids, if they didn't have any equipment, he would buy them some."

He hunted the Reelfoot Lake bottoms for squirrels walking far back into the National Wildlife Refuge to ridges only a handful of persons even knew about.

He was a Lake County commissioner for 12 years and a man who could get things done.

He convinced the county commission to press the state legislature for a private act to allow coyote hunting at night because the predators were impacting small game. While the state ultimately refused to pass the private act, Hayes got it before the congressmen.

He fretted that while Tiptonville had three fields for youth baseball and one baseball field, there was no field for adult softball. While softball had almost died out here, the city built the field. Duke got it done.

He was a Korean War veteran of the Army, joining up with his friend from the Bend, the late Billy Whitson. As the war was winding down, Whitson went to Korea and Duke went to Germany. They remained friends for life.

He and his wife Sue taught themselves to play guitar only five years ago. And they played well, sometimes performing at the Reelfoot Lake flea market or during family gatherings.

He ran Northside Grocery in Tiptonville during the seventies. When the big floods of 1973 and '75 surrounded the store and north Tiptonville, he and Sue stayed right with the store.

"He never turned anybody down for credit," Sue said. "If they wanted something and didn't have the money, he would let them have it."

The day of his funeral and burial was one of the coldest of this very harsh winter with the ground covered with snow and wind chills in the single digits.

"As they were getting ready to take him to the cemetery, I was thinking, 'Duke, you would love a day like this,'" Sue said. "He loved the cold and he loved the snow. I don't know how many sheets I gave him to lie out there on the ground

and hunt ducks and geese."

Duke wore many hats. He was a husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. He was a ball player, farmer, store-owner, electrician and a carpenter. He was a county commissioner for 12 years. He was a sports person and liked to hunt and fish. He was a river worker and a U.S. Army Veteran of the Korean War. Most of all, he was a Christian and a



member of Jones Chapel Church of Christ. Duke was a good friend to all.

Services were held at 1 p.m. February 6 at Jones Chapel Church of Christ with Mr. Lonnie Grady and Mr. Wilford Mobley officiating. Burial was in Cronanville Cemetery. Dyersburg Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

The family received visitors from 5:30-8 p.m. Wednesday at the church.

Survivors include his wife, Wanda Sue Hayes of Tiptonville; three children, Carlton "Tony" Hayes and Sherry Hayes, both of Tiptonville and Judy Hayes of Southaven, Mississippi; a daughter-



Clarence E. Anderson, 87, a resident of Hickman, Ky., died at his residence on February 14, 2014.

Born November 16, 1926, he was the son of the late Lewis and Ruth (Burton) Anderson. He was retired mail carrier from the Hickman Post Office and of the Baptist faith. He was a veteran of the U. S. Army.

Survivors include one sister, Imogene Dunnagan of Carrsville, Va.; and several nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews.

in-law, Becky Hayes; seven grandchildren, Shelley Heathcock and husband, Scotty, Jeremy Stephenson, Suellen Delaughter and husband, Will, Christie Hayes, Alabama Douglas, Tiffany Spicer and Breeanna Watson; fifteen great-grandchildren, Hope Stephenson, Zoey Stephenson, Tyler Chesser, Matthew Chesser, J.J. Smith, Kaylee Smith, Donovan Delaughter, Emily Delaughter, Dominic Delaughter, Elliot Delaughter, Taylor Heathcock, Alex Heathcock, Trey Spicer, Dillion Spicer and Jaden Watson; and four brothers, Robert "Tom" Hayes and wife, Janice, and Jessie "Pop" Hayes and wife, Sue, all of Tiptonville, Curtis Hayes and wife, Gwen, and Bill Hayes, all of Martin.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Jack and Ora May Hayes; three sisters, Marie Hayes Brady, Nora Lee Cashon and Birdie May Pierce; and five brothers, Sam Hayes, Milton "Pete" Hayes, Jack Hayes, Jr., Denon "Dill" Hayes and James Hatton Hayes.

Pallbearers were Nicky Hayes, Jr., Mark Hayes, Shelby Barker, Jr., Caleb Hayes, William Whitson and Scotty Heathcock. Honorary pallbearers were David Meeks, Winston Whitson, Shelby Barker, Sr. and David Salmon

Clarence E. Anderson

His wife, Betty (Edwards) Anderson, five brothers, and two sisters, preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held February 16, at Strong Funeral Home with Rev. Henry Callison officiating. Burial followed in the Hickman City Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Jamie Anderson, Temmy Bennett, Brayden Anderson, Andy Lattus, Bubba Dale Edwards and Justin Mathis. Honorary pallbearers were Bobby Dale Anderson, Dike Nerren, Joe Taylor, Joe Terrett, Chip Simmons and Al Choate.

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Fulton Co. Sheriff's Department News

The Fulton County Sheriff's Department reports these arrests and citations for Thursday, Feb. 13:

Thursday, Feb. 13:
• Aubrey Dysart of South Fulton, Tenn., white female, arrested, harassing communications.

Friday, Feb. 14:
• Dena M. Ward of Fulton, Ky., white female, citation, speeding 73/55 mph zone.

• Denise L. Williams of South Fulton, Tenn., black female, citation, speeding 93/70 mph zone.

• Robin Q. Glover of Elizabethtown, Ky., white female, citation, speeding 89/70 mph zone.

• Jimmy R. Copeland of Fulton, Ky., white male, citation, speeding 82/55 mph zone.

• Demarcus Freeman of Hickman, Ky., black male, arrested, failure to appear.

Monday, Feb. 17:
• Robert Forrester of Fulton, white male, arrested, indictment warrant.

Hickman Police Department News

The Hickman Police Department reports these arrests, citations, investigations and fire calls for Hickman and Cayce Volunteer Fire Departments for Sunday, Feb. 9 – Saturday, Feb. 15:

Sunday, Feb 9:
• Responded to a motor vehicle accident on 1099 Bypass.
• Responded to a commercial burglar alarm on 7th St.

• Investigated a suspicious person on Moscow Ave.
• Traffic stop on 7th St. – Edward Estes cited for improper equipment and no insurance.

Monday, Feb 10:
• Responded to a motor vehicle accident on 7th St.
• Responded to a call at Davis Park.

• Responded to a call on Jackson St.

Tuesday, Feb 11:
• Responded to an animal complaint on Valley Rd.
• Responded to a 911 hang up on Cedar St.

Wednesday, Feb 12:
• Responded to a call on Ivey St.

Thursday, Feb 13:
• Responded to a call on Cedar St.

• Responded to a traffic obstruction on Moulton St.
• Responded to a commercial

burglar alarm on Wellington St.

• Responded to an animal complaint on Station Ln.

• Traffic stop on 1099 Bypass. – Penny Patrick arrested for speeding, driving on a suspended operators license, possession of a controlled substance not in proper container, and license not in possession.

Friday, Feb 14:
• Responded to a call on Nelson St.
• Responded to a call on Marr St.

• Responded to a call at Dollar General.
• Responded to a motor vehicle accident on Broadway St.

• Responded to a motor vehicle accident on 7th St.
• Hickman Vol. Fire Dept responded to a fire on Myron Cory Dr.

Saturday, Feb 15:
• Responded to a noise complaint on Cedar St.
• Responded to a call on Ivey St.

• Responded to a report of shots fired.
• Responded to a juvenile complaint.

• Responded to a noise complaint on 7th St.
• Traffic stop on Union City Hwy.

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Hickman Police Department
Chief Grogan continues to address blighted property and Hickman Mayor David Lattus encouraged him and his department to keep inspiring all Hickman residents to maintain their properties.

"People do notice things," stated Lattus. "We are being as nice and as lenient as we can, but we like to see gradual improvement."

Hickman Volunteer Fire Department

"With the assistance of Mike Hartigan and his department, all fire trucks have been serviced, oiled and greased," stated Chief Ramsey. "We do need to think about looking at replacing the 1981 fire truck." Ramsey suggests that they look at purchasing a shorter single cab truck, it would still have a 1250 pump and 1,000 gallon tank on it, but would be better to maneuver on narrow city streets.

The Hickman Volunteer Fire Department (HVFD) has received a resignation from John Cagle, bringing the department numbers to 14. "At one time we have had up to 21," stated Chief Ramsey. "Finding fire fighters

isn't the problem, it is making sure they receive the training they need within the allotted amount of time." Currently the HVFD does not have a training officer and having to travel to other areas for the necessary training is an issue.

Chief Ramsey also noted that Hickman and the department only responded to one fire in January. "We were lucky not to have any fires during the really cold weather," he said. "Recently most of our fires have been kitchen related grease fires."

Public Works Department
"We had eight water leaks and two gas leaks during the cold hard freeze," Public Works Director Hartigan said. "We are out of salt again." With the county not carrying salt and the state conserving salt, the city is unable to obtain any more salt at this time.

Other issues affecting public works during the last winter storm event included the alternator going out in the truck and needing to replace the blade used to plow the city roads. "You did a remarkable job considering," stated Mayor Lattus on keeping the streets clean and working on the leaks during the cold spell.

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Expanded bench sparks Lady Pilot wins

Charles Choate
Courier Correspondent

The addition of players to the roster of the Fulton County Lady Pilots basketball team has prompted two wins in the last three games.

Eighth grade players, who just recently completed their District Tournament, have now donned the Lady Pilots uniform and have added a big spark in game play and at practices.

"This is what we have been needing for some time," said Coach Leonard Smith. "We can now go deeper from the bench, which gives players a break, plus it gives us competition in practice which makes us better."

The fresh faces have joined with the high school team to win their first games of the year, both coming in district play.

Over the past week, the Lady Pilots posted wins at home over Hickman County and Fulton City, but dropped a road game at Carlisle County.

Fulton County 48 - Hickman County 35 (at Hickman)

The Lady Pilots used the double digit scoring of Delraysha Alexander and 8th grader Alana Coffey to win their first game of the year.

The two players combined for 26 points as Fulton County beat the Lady Falcons 48-35.

As a team, the Lady Pilots bounced back from an early

8-1 deficit, and proceeded to outscore the Lady Falcons 21-4.

This spurt gave Coach Leonard Smith's team a 22-12 advantage at halftime, which was maintained with a 32-23 lead at the end of the third quarter.

The offensive onslaught continued in the fourth quarter, with a Coffey shot at the 5:40 mark giving the team its biggest lead of the night, 40-24.

"This was big. It was exciting and something these girls needed," said Coach Smith. "They know now that they can win if they play as a team. We can build off of this and get better. We are playing our best basketball now no doubt, and it's coming at the right time."

Alexander led all scorers in the game with 18, followed by Coffey 10, Leslie Beth Jackson 7, Jocelyn Mosely 6, Lucy Kimble 3, Leah Weatherly 2 and Anna-Gregory Grissom 2.

Alexis Burpo was the leading scorer for Hickman County with 17 points.

Carlisle County 54 - Fulton County 36 (at Bardwell)

The Lady Pilots dropped to (1-4) in district play with the 18 point loss on the road.

Fulton County battled the Lady Comets to an 18-18 tie with 2:32 to play before halftime, but it was all Carlisle County from that point on.

Coach Leonard Smith's team fell behind 40-29 at the end of the third quarter and were dealt their largest deficit of the game with the final score.

"It wasn't our night tonight," said the coach. "We just didn't stop them on offense and we did not rebound well. We gave up to many second and third shots and you can't win like that."

Lucy Kimble led the Lady Pilots with 14 points, followed by Leslie Beth Jackson 7, Delraysha Alexander 5, Leah Weatherly 4, Anna-Gregory Grissom 2, Dixie Major 2 and Detyja Giles 2.

Laken Sams led all scorers in the game with 17 points.

Fulton County 47 - Fulton City 44 (at Hickman)

The second win of the week for the Lady Pilots, moved them into a three-way tie for the second place spot in the upcoming district tournaments.

Delraysha Alexander and Leslie Beth Jackson led the offensive effort on the night, guiding the team with a combined 24 points.

Running the season's district record to (2-4) did not come easy for Coach Leonard Smith's team, as the Lady Bulldogs led 17-11 at the end of the first quarter, and 23-18 at halftime.

It was not until the 7:04 mark of the third period, that a put back shot from Jackson gave the Lady Pilots a 24-23 lead.

Following Jackson's shot, the Fulton County girls mounted a 16-11 scoring advantage to end the period on top 40-34.

The final eight minutes of play proved to be a nail biter, as Fulton City battled back to tie the game at 41-41 with 1:36 on the clock, and again at 43-43 with :52 remaining.

Delraysha Alexander connected on two free throws with :43 to play for a 45-43 Fulton County lead, with the win iced by Leslie Beth Jackson's two free throws with :22 seconds in the game.

"We really played great. We never gave up and we didn't panic in the final quarter," said Coach Smith. "Our press really helped us in this game and we made free throws when we had to. Our practices have been good, the girls now know they can win, and it's showing on the court. Our crowd has also been a big part of this team. They are supporting us and we are getting a lot of energy."

Alexander led the Lady Pilots with 14 points, followed by Jackson's 10, KyLira Williams 6, Lucy Kimble 6, Anna-Gregory Grissom 4, Leah Weatherly 3, Dixie Major 2 and Jocelyn Mosley 2.



Photo by Charles Choate

DRAWING A FOUL - The Pilots Davis Major (20) draws a foul from Fulton City's Bryan Johnson, as Micheal Thomas (32) watches the play. Major poured in nine points in the game as Fulton County ended their district schedule with a win over the Bulldogs.

District week tough for Pilots

Charles Choate
Courier Correspondent

The Fulton County Pilots were able to salvage one win, after playing three district games last week.

The Pilots were able to beat Fulton City at home, following back-to-back losses to start the week against Hickman County and Carlisle County.

The three game schedule gave the Pilots a (3-3) record in district play and (6-11) overall.

Hickman County 55 - Fulton County 36 (at Hickman)

The Falcons beat the Pilots for the second time this season, and never trailed in the game.

Hickman County's Billy Speed scored nine points in the first quarter, allowing the Falcons to race out to a 19-11 lead.

The visitors then outscored the Pilots 14-6 in the second quarter, which upped their advantage to 33-17 at halftime.

Fulton County had no answer to the offensive attack in the second half, as Hickman County took their biggest lead in the game in the third quarter, 46-23.

Free throws played a big part in the ballgame, as Fulton County could only manage 6-of-21 from the charity stripe, while the Falcons blizztered the nets on 16-of-18 shots.

DeVontae Hampton was the high scorer for the Pilots with 9 points, followed by Steven Roberson 5, Davis Major 5, Octavious Smith 4, Joe Holman 4, Steven Houston 4, O'Shay Freeman 3, and Aaron Allen 2.

Billy Speed led all scorers

for Hickman County with 18 points.

Carlisle County 65 - Fulton County 60 (at Bardwell)

A gallant effort by the Pilots in a second half comeback fell short, as the Comets managed a split in season play.

Fulton County fell behind 14-8 in the first quarter, and trailed 31-20 at the intermission, before mounting a big comeback run over the final two quarters.

Riding the long range three point bombs of Joe Holman, Coach Mitchell Williamson's team outscored the Comets 19-11 in the third quarter, cutting into the lead 42-39.

Holman's 3-pointer early in the fourth quarter tied the game for the first time at 44-44, but Carlisle's 21-16 scoring edge down the stretch sealed the win.

Holman led the Pilots with 22 points, followed by Octavious Smith 16, Steven Roberson 8, Steven Houston 8, DeVontae Hampton 4 and Davis Major 2.

Noah Norsworthy and Ethan Weatherspoon each scored 17 points for Carlisle County.

Fulton County 49 - Fulton City 41 (at Hickman)

The Pilots evened their district record at (3-3) with a hard fought homecoming win over the Bulldogs.

The cross county rivals battled back and forth until halftime, with the game tied 20-20 at the intermission.

Both teams again traded baskets in the third quarter, with the Bulldogs taking a slim 33-32 lead into the final quarter.

Fulton County took control of the game early in the period, when a driving lay-up by Octavious Smith gave the Pilots a 39-33 at the 5:39 mark.

A three point shot by Steven Houston with 2:27 to play made the score 44-39, and sealed the win for the Pilots.

Octavious Smith led Fulton County with 13 points with Steven Roberson adding 10.

Also on the night, Davis Major had 9 points, Joe Holman 6, DeVontae Hampton 4, Steven Houston 4 and Aaron Allen 3.

Blake Roach led all scorers in the game with 17 points.



Photo by Charles Choate

LAY UP - Aaron Allen (33) goes up for a fast break lay up for Fulton County, as Fulton City's Greg Martin (42) attempts the block. The Pilots won their third district game of the season, with a 49-41 homecoming victory over the Bulldogs.

Future educators job shadow with teachers

Members of the Fulton County's Future Educators of America Club had the opportunity to shadow a teacher of their choice recently. When completed they turned in reflections to sponsors Kim Roberts and Justin Suttles.

Annagrace Ligons shadowed

Beth McWhirt at the middle school. "Mrs. McWhirt created an environment that was ideal for learning and put the students at ease. She is someone I greatly admire and would love to have another opportunity to observe her teaching style."

Levi Lacewell shadowed Stephanie Mora in her Music classes "This impacted me as a future teacher to realize how busy teachers are at all times. I have to be prepared at all times".

Sasha Montgomery shadowed Heather Rose. "They did a lot of engaging activities to get the students more involved. This made it more exciting".

Jessica Mathews shadowed Tracey Ellegood "I spent the morning with preschool classes working in stations. It was a great experience and loved the way these students looked at learning as fun. I see this as a future career".

Dixie Major shadowed Brenda King. "A lot has changed since I was in her 4th grade class. I enjoyed the age of the students in class because they enjoyed learning."

Courtney Watts shadowed Heather Elder at the ATC. "Mrs. Heather has a great hands-on approach to teaching and I was able to participate in her demonstration."



SHADOWING AN ATC TEACHER - Courtney Watts (center) received a hands-on approach to teaching from Heather Elder, an Fulton County Area Technology Center teacher.



Photo by Charles Choate

PILOTS REBOUND - Fulton County's Leslie Beth Jackson (14) and Detyja Giles (40) grab a rebound over the back of Fulton City's Lexi Snow (55). The Lady Pilots posted their second win of the week, beating the Lady Bulldogs 47-44 in district play at Hickman.



Photo by Charles Choate

NOWHERE TO GO - Hickman County's Alexis Burpo (32) feels the defensive pressure of Lady Pilot players Alana Coffey (5), KyLira Williams (24) and Delraysha Alexander (10). Fulton County posted their first win of the season by beating the Lady Falcons 48-35 at home.



FUTURE EDUCATOR CLUB MEMBER - Jessica Mathews, Future Educator Club Member, spent time in Tracey Ellegood's class recently getting a glimpse into her possible future career.

Habitat spaghetti supper, bake sale in Hickman February 27

Habitat for Humanity of Fulton/Hickman Counties volunteers are gearing up for a spaghetti supper and bake sale slated for Thursday evening, Feb. 27 from 4:30 - 7:00 p.m. at the Hickman First United Methodist Church's Life Enrichment Center (located across from the courthouse).

The annual dinner comes just in time to raise funds for the affiliate's 11th house. The partner family is Elizabeth Moore and her sons Dennis and Elijah. The house will be built at the corner of Jackson and Maiden streets in Fulton on a lot donated by Jeff Campbell. "The lot has two tracts so we have the opportunity to build our first "Habitat neighborhood" which we've always dreamed about," adds affiliate Chairman Cherry Pyron.

Volunteers will begin work (when weather permits) each Saturday morning at 8. Funds and workers are always needed and greatly appreciated.

Tickets for the spaghetti dinner will be available at the door for \$5 with takeout available. There will be no charge for children three years of age and under.

Habitat appreciates your support.



Sports In Kentucky

For the Hickman Courier

By Bob Watkins

First, picture this: Small town kid demonstrates he is a gifted athlete early. Well grounded in faith, family and scholarship, he rises as a leader and excels in sports. Loves baseball best.

To the kid, team ahead of self rates far even as he rises to first team all-state recognition. Division I college recruiters find him, want him, come calling. More and more big dog colleges, including his state's flagship university, are courting.

The kid discusses scholarship options with family and coaches. Some in his community want him to sign with State U. not far from home. His priorities are unshaken. Education ahead of sports. Goal? A degree in engineering.

Kid chooses Purdue University at West Lafayette.

Elijah Sindelar, senior-to-be quarterback at Caldwell County High School, right?

Wrong!

The right answer is John Wooden.

The parallels, Sindelar at Princeton and Wooden growing up in Martinsville, Indiana (1924-28) are striking (so far).

At Martinsville, Wooden came from a faith-based home where he was a passionate player, but academics came first. A promising underclassmen, Wooden grew into an all-state basketball player whose first love was baseball. Wanted to pitch.

Recruiters came calling from Wisconsin, Notre Dame Butler and flagship U., Indiana University was 20 miles from home. But Wooden chose Purdue for its engineering school. A dean's list student, he became an All-American basketball player. He eventually changed his major and became a high school English teacher, first at Dayton High School in Kentucky.

The rest is history. Wooden: A Coach's life, a new book by Seth Davis, is riveting:

Observations.

2. Turning point in the Florida-Kentucky game. John Calipari's technical foul. Asked, "the (Florida) points scored off that technical foul, it seemed to swing the game. Do you think it might have done that?"

Kentucky's coach replied, "It could have. It could have."

3. What was his technical for? "You have to ask (the official). ... I don't know what he heard me say with my back to him, so you have to ask him."

4. Real reason, Calipari has violated the coach's box and walked on court during play more often this season than Dick Vitale has flapped his lips. His technical was no surprise.

5. Close look at Kentucky's 2013-14 schedule in Rupp Arena tells us the crowd watching the Florida-UK game saw one of the two premier coaches in basketball today. Billy Donovan. The other is Jim Boeheim at Syracuse.

6. Last two seasons, Calipari has proven he can recruit high school stars. He has also proven, minus Anthony Davis, he

can't make a college team, nor even NBA ready one-and-donors, in seven months.

7. Western Kentucky Hilltoppers ... from a 14-point first half at home against South Alabama last Saturday, Ray Harper's team hasn't been the same since the bottom fell out of the Corvette Museum.

8. Darel Carrier's No. 35 at Western will be retired to the rafters at Diddle Arena this Saturday. Too long coming for a fellow who scored 1,318 points in only 69 games (1962-64), 19.0 points per game and sixth on Hilltopper score list? In fact, the timing is ideal for family and friends to witness celebration of one of our state's best ever scorers. Before Carrier was a Hilltopper, he put 3,148 points on the board for Bristow High School. He ranks in the Top 20 all-time in Kentucky.

9. Bleacher Report offered its 'College Basketball Predictions that look Foolish,' last week. First up: Kentucky will go 40-0. Teevee analyst Jay Bilas denies Calipari said it. Bilas skipped over the "... at Kentucky we ARE basketball," part.

10. Bleacher Report: New hand check rule will kill college basketball. In fact, the rule may create a new one to stop pushing off by player dribbling the ball.

11. Another Bleacher Report prediction: Florida will struggle because of its roster situation.

12. John Wooden college basketball player of the year list should include no freshmen and, with emphasis on play and academic achievement, the candidate-to-beat should be Doug McDermott, senior at Creighton.

13. College player whose name sports writers had better learn to spell and pronounce: Egidijus Mockevicius 6-10 sophomore center at Evansville is fun to be special.

14. Fun to Watch Dept.: Kentucky's women's 75-71 win over Tennessee in Thompson-Boling Arena last Sunday was first rate entertainment. First win in Knoxville since 1985. Junior Jennifer O'Neill was named the SEC Player of the Week.

15. Basketball coaches enjoying their jobs and are extraordinary at it: Jim Boehiem (Syracuse), Billy Donovan (Florida), Jay Wright (Villanova) and Greg McDermott (Creighton).

16. Coaches whose body language says they're not: Tom Crean (Indiana), Cuonzo Martin (Tennessee) and Calipari.

17. College basketball entertainment supreme in 2014: See Creighton and Wichita State.

18. SEC player of the Year: Scottie Wilbekin, Florida.

19. Team leading the nation in scowls, bewilderment and litany of excuses ... see Kentucky.

20. Mt. Rushmore of basketball? Magic Johnson, Larry Bird, Michael Jordan and Bill Russell, said Kobe Bryant last week. Of more than 17,000 internet voters, 52 per cent agreed.

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more than 10,000 schools across the country. *Financial Peace, Jr.* is an instructional kit designed to help parents teach their young children about working, saving and giving their money. Through Ramsey's entertaining children's book series, children learn about working, saving, giving and spending money.

Beginning next week, the Courier will be publishing Dave's

weekly column, *Dave Says*. The column will be a question and answer type column that will cover basically every aspect of finances from student loans to investment decisions. It is our hope that the people of this community will benefit greatly from this addition to our paper.

Be watching for next week's edition, until then...Ready, Set, SAVE!

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Bus, car side swipe each other

On Wednesday, Feb. 12, on Sanders Road at approximately 3:19 p.m., a school bus, operated by Chrystal Gregory, and a 2002 Gray Chevy Pickup, driven by Marilyn Sansom, met on the narrow country road causing them to side swipe each other.

The Fulton County Sheriff's office reported no injuries and no citations were issued.



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Bluff Briefs

Fulton County High School Open House

The Fulton County High School Open House has been rescheduled for Tuesday, March 18 from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

The Cat in the Hat coming to Paducah

The Cat in the Hat will be at the CFSB Play Center at Kentucky Oaks Mall on Saturday, Feb. 22, from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Bring your kids and stay for story time and enjoy free books and other goodies for the children. This event is sponsored by The Kentucky Education Association and First District Education Association in connection with NEA's Read Across American program.

American Legion to meet

American Legion Post 57 will gather for a meeting on Thursday, Feb. 20 at 6 p.m. on Moscow Avenue.

Saturday League Basketball

Saturday League Basketball games will continue in the Fulton County High School gymnasium on Saturdays. Come on out and support your future Pilot and Lady Pilots basketball players.

Fulton Rotary Benefit Golf Scramble

The Fulton Rotary Club will sponsor a Benefit Golf Scramble on Friday, May 2, beginning at 1:00 p.m., at the Fulton Country Club. This event is limited to 36 teams, at \$300 per 4-person team (includes cart and green fee, entry fee, lunch, mulligans, and throws). Lunch will be served from 11:30 - 12:45. Prize for hole-in-one is \$10,000 and other on course prizes. Contact Sam Miller 270-472-2800 to enter a team, or to sponsor a hole for \$50, make a donation of money, or donate a door prize. All proceeds go to the local Rotary Scholarship Fund.

Students react to wealth of snow days

By Josie Prehoda and Grace Elder
Snow and ice can be pretty nice - just ask any FCE/MS student you know. An informal student poll about the recent surprise vacation ranked sleeping in among the top benefits, followed by outdoor activities, video games, listening to music and raiding the refrigerator. "Of course we know we'll have to make the time up," says Cailey Prehoda, a sixth grade student, "but right now we don't care

because middle school students live for the moment." Several students took advantage of their time off to go shopping or visit places like the Discovery Park of America. "It hadn't snowed for a long time, so we really enjoyed all the outdoor activities you don't often get to do, like snowball fights, sledding, and building snowmen, explains Retiazsha Chambers. "You slip and fall, and get really cold and wet, but a warm blanket and

some hot chocolate make all the unpleasantness go away." The biggest complaint students had was boredom. "We couldn't see our friends," was a common theme. "I didn't like the snow days" says student council president Caroline Morrison. "I don't live close to my friends, so I can't see them when school's not in session. School for me is almost as social as it is academic." One student complained about their mother's

unsympathetic response to their isolation. "She said 'I don't want to be trapped here with a bunch of giggly girls'." I like to hang with my besties, so I was unable to make as much use of my free time as I would have liked." With a possible six more weeks of winter, students know that snow and ice could again be nice. On the downside, warm weather might see them staying in school . . . which would NOT be cool!



FCHS 2014 BASKETBALL HOMECOMING FESTIVITIES - (At top) Homecoming Court includes Seniors Anna-Reid Garrigan, Annesha Jackson, Julia Cox, Queen Sarah Copeland, Junior Representative Lucy Kimble, Sophomore Representative Carly McNeill, and Freshman Representative Alley McMillin. **QUEENS OF THE COURT** - (Middle) Supporting their team with their smiles and crowns were (l to r) Kaitlyn Parker, Samantha McClure, Jessica Mathis and Allyson Dick. **PILOT PRIDE** - (At right) Will Alan Moore, Drew Worley of Love, Austin Williams, Zack Crider and Ed Readenour show their Pilot Pride on Friday night, Feb. 14 when the Lady Pilots and Pilots defeated the Lady Bulldogs and Bulldogs on Homecoming night.

Photos by Charlotte Smith



Paperboy

He also remembers playing with sticks with iron hoops. "All over town, all the kids would do it," added H.L.
Another fond memory of his was being a paperboy for *The Hickman Courier*. "My step-brother Cecil Williamson and I both worked for *The Courier*," remembered H.L. "We worked for Mr. Howard who lived in the house that David Thomas and Dorothy Lee Harris reside in now. Mr. Howard used to rent out rooms to the single women who worked in Union City."
When H.L. was a paper boy *The Courier* office was located behind the Hickman Post Office near the old bank building. The office was located in a stucco building. "We had to fold the papers by hand back then," he said. "The high school girls would fold them and I would pick up a hundred papers at a time."
He recalls going up Sweet Elder Hill (Wabash Street) after passing by the old show. "There was a big magnolia tree (lost a few years back following a storm)," continued H.L. "Sweet Elder Hill was named after a dear lady named Sweet Elder. She

wore a lot of make up." After making it up the hill, H.L. would travel across the wooden bridge that crossed the holler behind the church (Sacred Heart Catholic Church). He also remembers crossing another one located near the home of Brantley Amberg. "That was at Shelby Ridge," added H.L. "Mostly black people lived there. They loved the paper." He sold them the papers for a nickel a piece. "Sometimes we would run out and have to get more," he said. "We also sold them in east Hickman and west Hickman." H.L. would make two and a half cents on each paper he sold.
The money meant a lot to him back then, but he also enjoyed the cookies and other things people would leave for him. "Sometimes I would get a plate of cookies, or maybe they would give me a dime," he added with a smile.
Eventually the papers went up to ten cents. "I didn't get in on any of that big money," H.L. said. "By then I was working at the pool hall."
H.L. was about 12 years old. "I made \$10 on Saturdays working

from 8 a.m. until midnight," he said, adding that he loved the fringe benefits. "I was able to shoot pool during the week for free."
He also has great memories of Uncle Will, Will Caldwell, buying him a sandwich.
"The pool hall was busy," he said. "The 'bottom guys' would come up on Saturdays, including the Williams and Weatherly families. They would sit in the big high benches with footstools

and drink while everyone played pool."
His pool hall income wasn't his only source of revenue. "I worked on the farm, picking cotton," H.L. added. "I even picked strawberries in Tennessee and pecans in the winter time in the upper bottom."
"We were as poor as a church mouse, but we enjoyed ourselves," he said. "I always had a place to lay my head and food to eat."

Sipes advances to state competition



Lindy Sipes

Lindy Sipes, a Fulton County Elementary/Middle School eighth grader, recently placed fourth in Language Arts at the Regional Governor's Cup, held at Carlisle County Middle School on February 1. Sipes was the only student from the First District to advance in the written assessments/Composition categories. She will travel to Louisville in March to participate in the State Governor's Cup.
She is the daughter of Jason and Kelly Sipes.

Thank You

George A. Jones, Fulton County Clerk Betty Abernathy, Fulton County PVA Pete Morgan, Fulton County Jailer Ricky Parnell, Hickman-Fulton County Riverport Authority Director Greg Curlin, Tommy Hodges, and Brandon Uzzle all attending.
The West Kentucky Regional Chamber Alliance (WKRCA), a formal alliance of chambers of commerce in 14 counties in far western Kentucky, was founded in 2008. Its purpose is to provide a unified voice for local businesses in the region and to serve as a catalyst for regional leadership and action, bringing together resources for legislative, educational, infrastructure and economic development advocacy. Charlotte Smith and Keith Akin are both members of the board representing Hickman and Fulton counties.
Since its inception, the WKRCA has taken an active role in advocating for issues that impact the region. The regional organization has continued to lend its voice for the completion of I-69 which has resulted in \$70 million allotted for I-69 Improvement Projects in the 2012 State Highway Plan. In

addition, 38 miles of the West Kentucky Parkway received signage designating it as I-69 and 16 miles of I-24 received dual interstate designation.
The Regional Alliance also partnered with other local chambers and successfully encouraged the State to repair the damaged Egner's Ferry Bridge in a timely fashion.
Other priorities for the WKRCA are the completion of the Kentucky Lock, funding for marine infrastructure projects, area riverport improvements and the future of the Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant.
The Board of Directors is comprised of two business representatives from each of the fourteen member counties. Participating also are the Chamber Executive Directors; Field Representatives from Senators Mitch McConnell and Rand Paul and Congressman Ed Whitfield's offices; and representatives from the Penny-rile and Purchase Area Development Districts, Murray State University Regional Outreach, and the Murray State University Small Business Development Center.



SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT - Mr. Raymond Sims (left) recently informed Fulton County High School Senior Sasha Montgomery that she was the recipient of a \$5,000 per year Minority Scholarship offered by Murray State University. This is the first time that a FCHS student has received this scholarship. It is good for four years.



Photo by Charlotte Smith

FINALISTS FOR PRESIDENTIAL FELLOWSHIP HONORS PROGRAM - Will Alan Moore (left) and Anna-Reid Garrigan (right), both Fulton County High School Seniors have been selected out of 180 seniors to compete in the final round of interviews at Murray State for the Presidential Fellowship Honors Program. MSU will select 12 students to receive full scholarships for the fall semester.

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SENIOR Spotlight

Nathan Buchanan
Parent's names: Dana and Tammie Buchanan
Brothers and sisters names: Amber Buchanan, Kayla Buchanan, Preston Buchanan, Billy Buchanan, and Angela Blackburn.
Sports you play (if any): Football
Position you play: Right guard, left tackle, linebacker
Favorite thing about your sport (what makes you enjoy playing): I like to tackle.
Church and/or community involvement: David's Chapel Baptist Church
Plans after graduation: Go to WKCTC and become a Basic Carpenter.
Clubs, activities, accomplishments, and etc.: Skills USA
Favorite part of school: Seeing my friends
Something interesting about yourself: I'm funny, cool, but I keep it real.
Fondest memory while at FCHS: When Tyrisha fell in the hallway during the Senior parade.

George David Jones
Parent's names: Ashley and Sean Zwieg
Brothers and sisters names: Brittany and Breanna Gray
Plans after graduation: Enlist in the U.S. Army for at least 20 years.
Clubs, activities, accomplishments, and etc.: Science Club Vice President
Favorite part of school: Lunch
Something interesting about yourself: I love philosophy and art.
Fondest memory while at Fulton County High School: Lunch with Aspen, Preston, Sean, and Travis.

FCHS Class of 2014



CRAWLING AROUND ON THE COLD ROADWAY - Chuck Bloodworth, of Crutchfield, ran over this 28 inch Cooperhead on KY 1125, 1 1/2 miles from Crutchfield, on Wednesday, Feb. 12. Snakes find shelter in holes or burrows during winter months. During the first days of spring snakes emerge from their dens and begin sunning.

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